

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY LONDON  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 4256  
INFO AMEMBASSY PARIS  
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E.O. 11652: N/A

SUBJECT: CIVAIR: US-EUROPE ISSUES

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1. BRITISH PRESS HAS SHOWN GREAT INTEREST IN CURRENT  
US-UK AVIATION NEGOTIATIONS, ESPECIALLY FARE ASPECT,  
BUT THROUGH THURSDAY, MARCH 16, TO BEST EMBASSY'S  
INFORMATION, DID NOT COMMENT EDITORIALY. (DISTRIBUTION  
OF DAILIES' FRIDAY EDITIONS VIRTUALLY HALTED BY A STRIKE.)

2. HOWEVER, ECONOMIST OF MARCH 18 COMMENTED: "THE LONG  
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BRITISH STRUGGLE FOR EXPENSIVE PROTECTIONISM SEEM(S) TO  
BE FADING. THIS HAS ALWAYS BEEN A STRUGGLE WHICH IT IS  
IMPORTANT, FOR BRITAIN'S SAKE, THAT BRITAIN SHOULD CON-  
VENIENTLY LOSE." MAGAZINE'S PRINCIPAL ARGUMENT IS THAT  
TRADE SECRETARY DELL'S MAIN CONCERN SHOULD BE TO KEEP  
LONDON THE MOST IMPORTANT EUROPEAN AIRPORT, "A SORT OF  
ROTTERDAM OF THE TOURIST AND BUSINESS TRAVEL INDUSTRY,"

AND TO AVOID ACTIONS WHICH WOULD ENCOURAGE US AIRLINES TO  
USE OTHER EUROPEAN GATEWAYS INSTEAD.

3. THE TRAVEL TRADE GAZETTE NEWS OF MARCH 17 ALSO  
WELCOMED THE PROSPECT OF LOWER FARES, PREDICTING IT WOULD  
MEAN A "HUGE RANGE OF SALES POSSIBILITIES FOR THE TRAVEL  
TRADE." THE NEWS ALSO CRITICIZED IATA'S EARLIER "EMPIRE  
OF WASTE," WHICH TOOK THE FORM OF EMPTY SEATS.

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## Message Attributes

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